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BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

April 9, 2021

Mr. Gary Mitchell Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy S., Suite 1200 Houston, Texas 77042

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Reference is made to Fieldwood Energy Offshore LLC's (Fieldwood) Right-of-way (ROW) modification application (TIMSWEB submittal ID: 207595169) received by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Pipeline Section on March 30, 2021, for Pipeline Segment Number (PSN) 11986 associated with ROW No. OCS-G 20565.

Specifically, Fieldwood requests a temporary cessation of operations for PSN 11986 until May 30, 2021. PSN 11986 has been out-of-service since December 17, 2020. The temporary cessation of operations is being requested due to corrosion repairs at Platform A in South Marsh Island Area Block 39.

The table below describes the pipeline segment pertaining to the aforementioned application:

PSN	Size (NPS)	Length (feet)	Service	Origin	Termination
11986	8	4,273	Gas	Platform A South Marsh Island Area Block 39	30-inch SSTI South Marsh Island Area Block 33

Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1000(b), Fieldwood's application is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The annual rental required by 30 CFR 250.1012 shall continue to be due and payable in December of each calendar year.
- 2. If the associated pipeline has not been returned to service and is not being used for the purpose for which the pipeline ROW grant was made by May 30, 2021 the ROW grant shall be deemed expired in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1014. As a reminder per 30 CFR 250.1010(h) the ROW holder must remove all pipeline segments and accessories associated with ROW No. OCS-G 20565 within one year of the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration). Furthermore, a decommissioning application must be submitted to the BSEE Pipeline Section to decommission PSN 11986 within 30 days from the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration).

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3. If at any time prior to May 30, 2021 it is determined that the use of PSN 11986 is to be permanently discontinued, an application to decommission the pipeline and relinquish the pipeline ROW shall be submitted to BSEE Pipeline Section.

Fieldwood is hereby reminded of the following should PSN 11986 is not returned to service on or before December 17, 2021:

- 1. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1006(b)(2), the subject pipeline segment must be flushed and filled with inhibited seawater.
- 2. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1003(b)(1), the subject pipeline segment must be hydrostatically tested for at least eight (8) hours at a stabilized pressure of a minimum of 1.25 times the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) prior to return to service.

Sincerely,

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